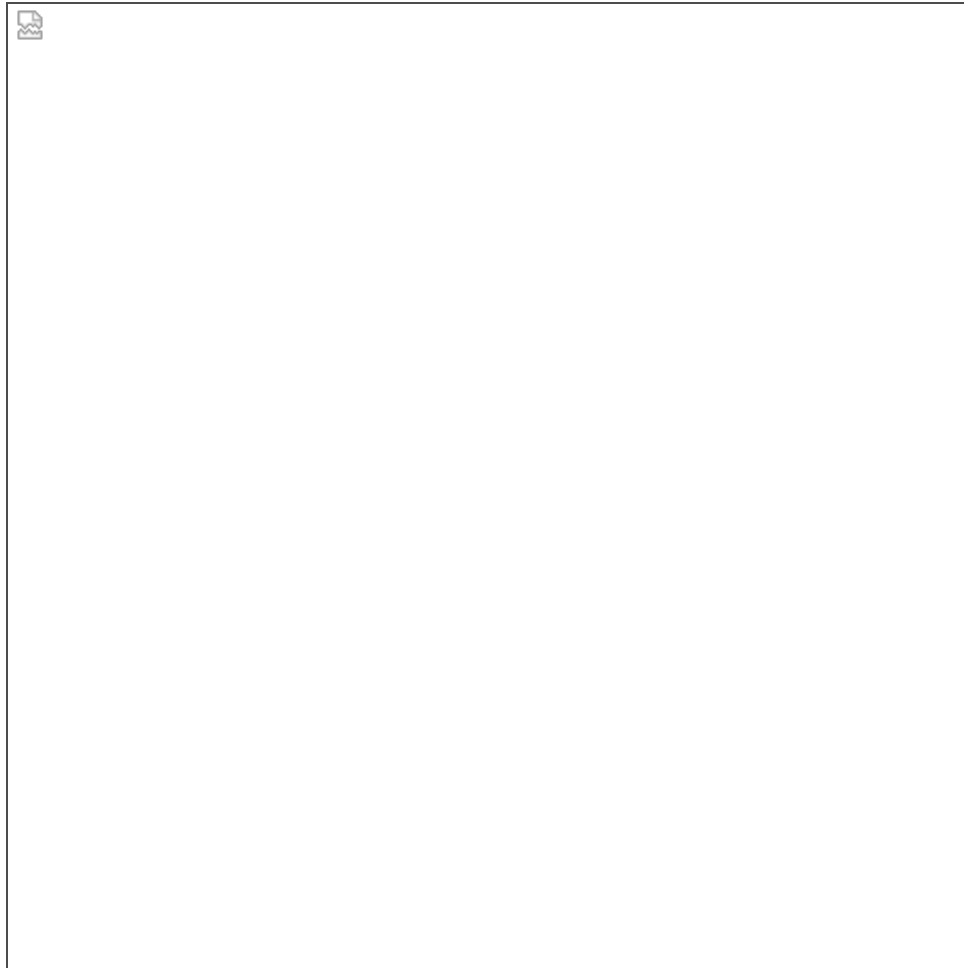


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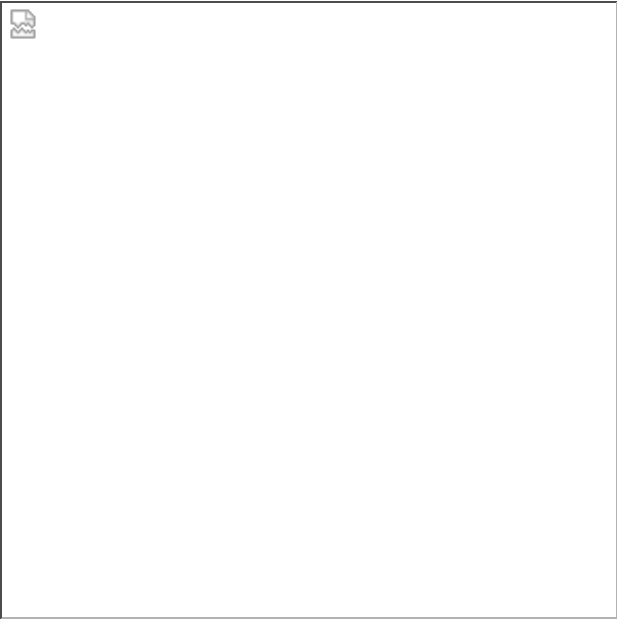
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Rock Cellar Productions, in association with the Get Together
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An Online Concert Event Helping the City of Los
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Saturday, April 25 @2PM

Join Jeff Bridges, Smokey Robinson, Carole King, Melissa Manchester, Tim Allen, Lisa Loeb, Mary Wilson (The Supremes), Sheila E, Rick Springfield, and so many of the most iconic performers of our time for this one-in-a-lifetime online concert. 100% of the proceeds raised from this event will go to the Los Angeles COVID-19 Crisis Fund,

which supports families and small businesses, relieves healthcare workers, provides critical medical resources, and funds research for COVID-19. Tune in at:

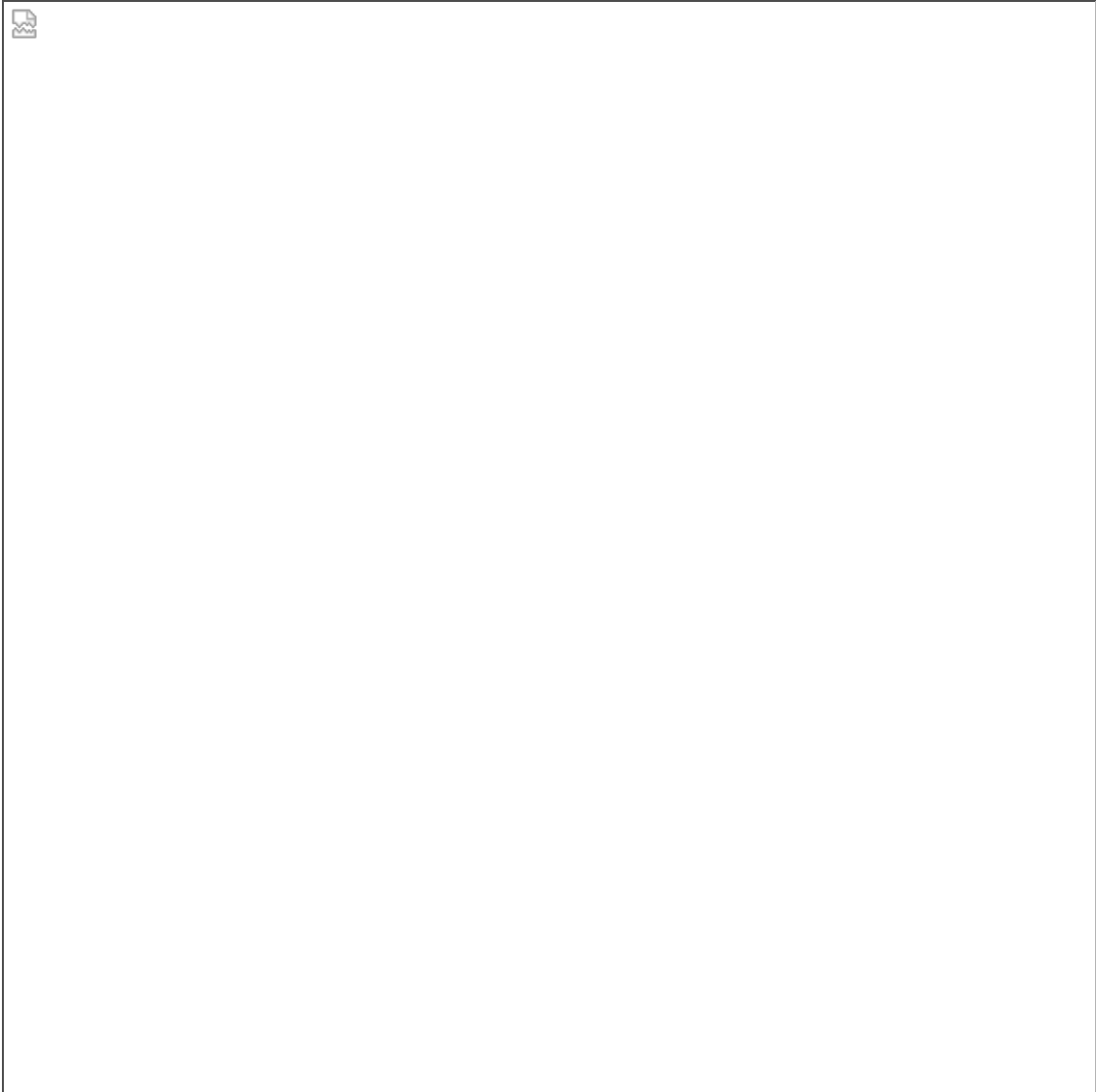
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LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

City

- Freeze on rent increases in rent-controlled units extended to 360 days after Safer at Home order ends.
- Emergency Renters Relief Program to assist low-income renters, including working-poor immigrants, who have limited means to pay back rent was passed, along with two worker protection ordinances (Right of Recall and Citywide Worker Retention) that protect hospitality workers who have been laid off or furloughed by requiring companies to rehire them based on seniority.
- The City Council discussed three proposals, which ultimately did not pass, to provide additional tenant protections beyond the measures the City has already taken. There is currently an eviction moratorium in place for commercial and residential tenants due to COVID-19 related reasons. However, these new proposals calling for a universal eviction moratorium, among other things, would be preempted by existing state law and therefore potentially expose the city to tremendous liability. In a time of financial strain, a dollar spent on settlements is one less dollar spent on vital, core city services, and while I fully supported the eviction moratorium that is currently in place, I do not believe it is fiscally responsible to open up the city to the potential for lawsuits as these proposals would have done.

County

- Approximately 98,000 people in Los Angeles County have been tested for COVID-19. 14% of people tested have been positive.
- USC and the Department of Public Health released preliminary results from a collaborative scientific study that suggests infections from the new coronavirus are far more widespread - and the fatality rate much lower - in L.A. County than previously thought. Click [here](#) to learn more.
- The Los Angeles County Department of Health Services (DHS) released its projections of hospital-based health care demand which is available [here](#). The report finds that based on current physical distancing and other preventative measures, the overall capacity at LA-area hospitals appears adequate to meet the projected need of patients and care over the next 4 weeks.

State

- With approximately 1 in 5 students in California lacking access to high-speed internet or an appropriate computing device at home, the State announced a multi-sector partnership to support distance learning and bridge the digital divide for low-income students. Click [here](#) to learn more.

- Governor launched #CaliforniansForAll Service Initiative to build on California Volunteers' efforts to establish a volunteer corps to help with the state's response during COVID-19. To learn more and to sign up to volunteer, click [here](#).

Federal

- This week, Congress approved a \$484 billion bipartisan bill to supplement the \$2 trillion Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. An additional \$320 billion for the PPP program was included in the bill. Unfortunately, major banking groups indicate that a majority, if not all, of the newly allocated funding will go to businesses already in the queue after the original allocation ran out. It is unfortunate that so much of the funding was made available to publicly traded companies like restaurant and hotel chains, and not actual, small businesses. Of this new funding, \$60 billion is to be set aside for businesses that do not have established banking relationships, such as rural and minority-owned companies. The bill also provides \$60 billion in loans and grants for the Small Business Administration's disaster relief fund and \$75 billion for hospitals. For information about other SBA programs, click [here](#).

COMMUNITY UPDATES

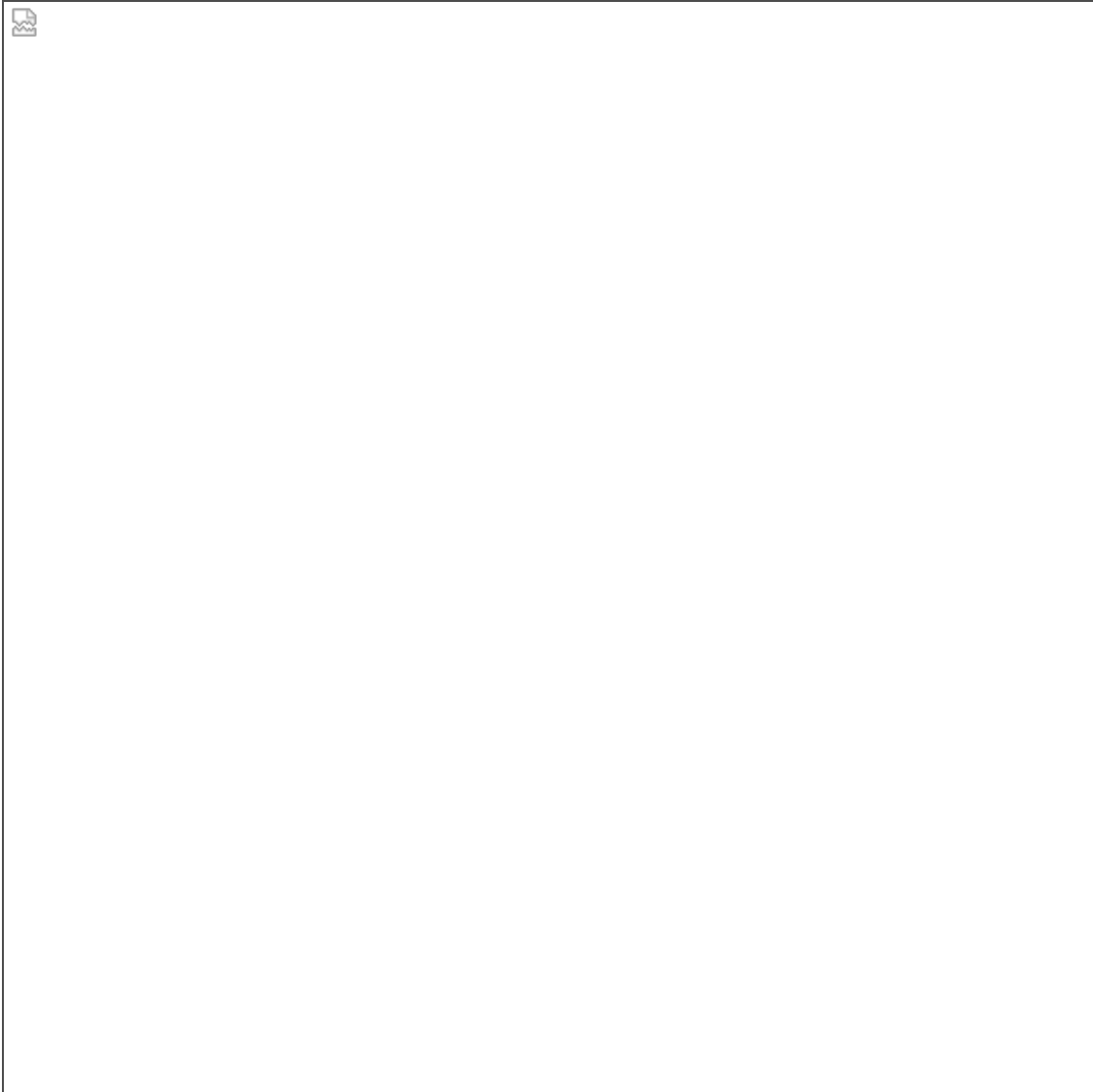


Earlier this week, thanks to a partnership with Greg and Jodi Perlman of The Change Reaction, I announced the launch of TWO NEW PROGRAMS to provide immediate assistance to CD12 families and small businesses in need during the COVID-19 crisis:

- **A HELPING HAND** - grocery assistance program providing free Super King grocery gift cards to CD12 residents facing food insecurity due to loss of job or income as a result of the pandemic, and who may not be receiving other forms of government assistance that are critical to weathering the financial stress of the pandemic. A special thank you to the Fermanian family and Super King Markets for supporting our new program!
- **SMALL BUSINESS ANGEL FUND** - a unique, interest-free loan program for small essential businesses located in Council District 12. In addition to the loan, businesses will receive ongoing support, including assistance restructuring lease obligations, credit assessments, and a review of operational plans. Loan repayment terms will be tailored to the borrower's ability to repay and all loan repayments will be deposited back into the fund

to help more small businesses. Businesses must be located in the Twelfth District, submit proof of 12 months of timely paid rent through March 2020, and have submitted an Economic Injury Disaster Loan Application to the U.S. Small Business Administration.

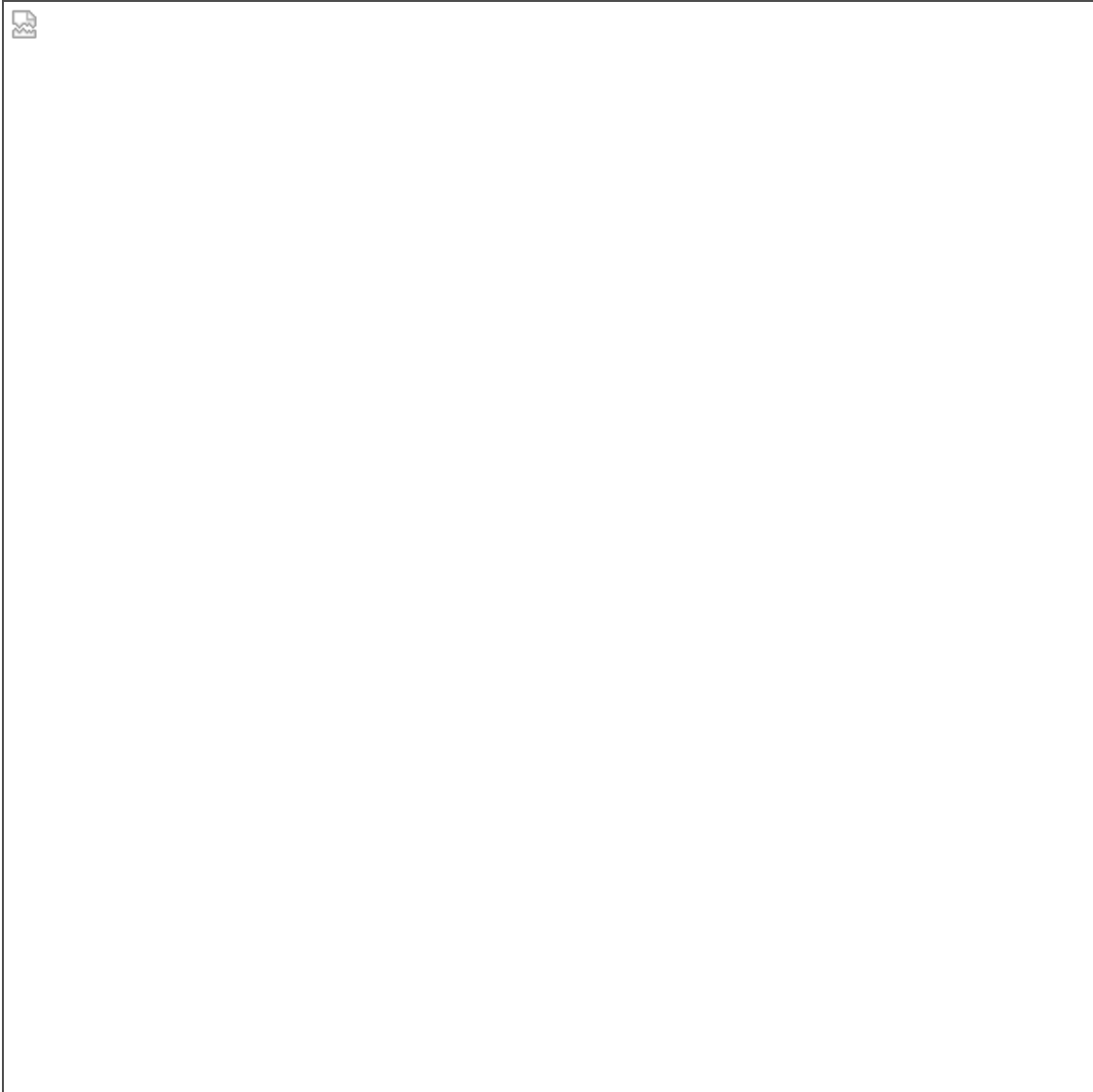
Applications for both programs are available at www.cd12.org. Questions about either of these programs can be directed to Ron.Rubine@lacity.org.



The relaunch of the CD12 citrus collection was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who donated oranges, grapefruits, tangerines, and lemons, which we took to the San Fernando Valley Rescue Mission's Drive-Thru Food Pantry.

The Citrus Drive-Thru continues every Tuesday through May 12 at the CD12 Community Services Center (9207 Oakdale Ave, Chatsworth). This is a hands-free process, so please leave the citrus in your trunk. Staff will retrieve it upon your arrival. If you are unable to drop off your citrus, please

email councilmember.lee@lacity.org and we will make arrangements to pick up your bags/boxes.



Virtual Hugs for Heroes Art Contest

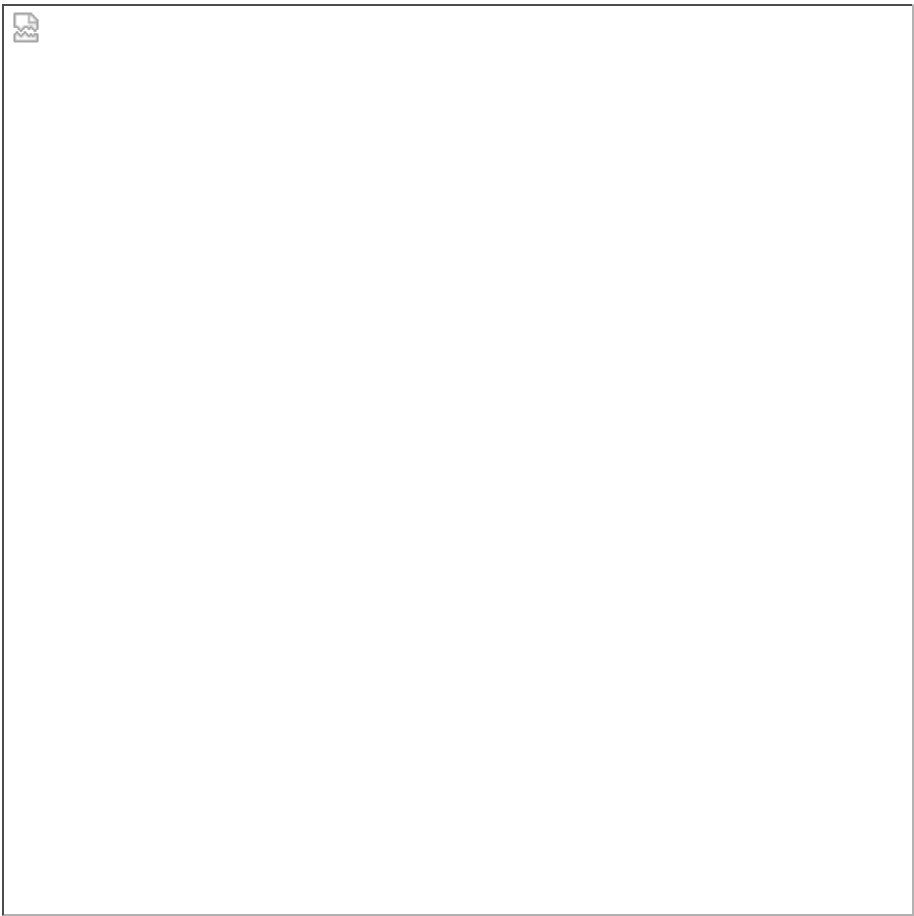
Help us say 'thank you' to our everyday heroes who are serving us on the frontlines of this pandemic. Enter your drawing in the Virtual Hugs for Heroes contest to show your appreciation for our hospital workers, service providers, delivery people, teachers, first responders, essential workers, and more. The contest is open to youth grades Pre-K to 12 (categories: Elementary, Middle School, High School). 3 winners will be selected from each category. **SUBMISSION DEADLINE:** April 30, 2020, by 4 PM.

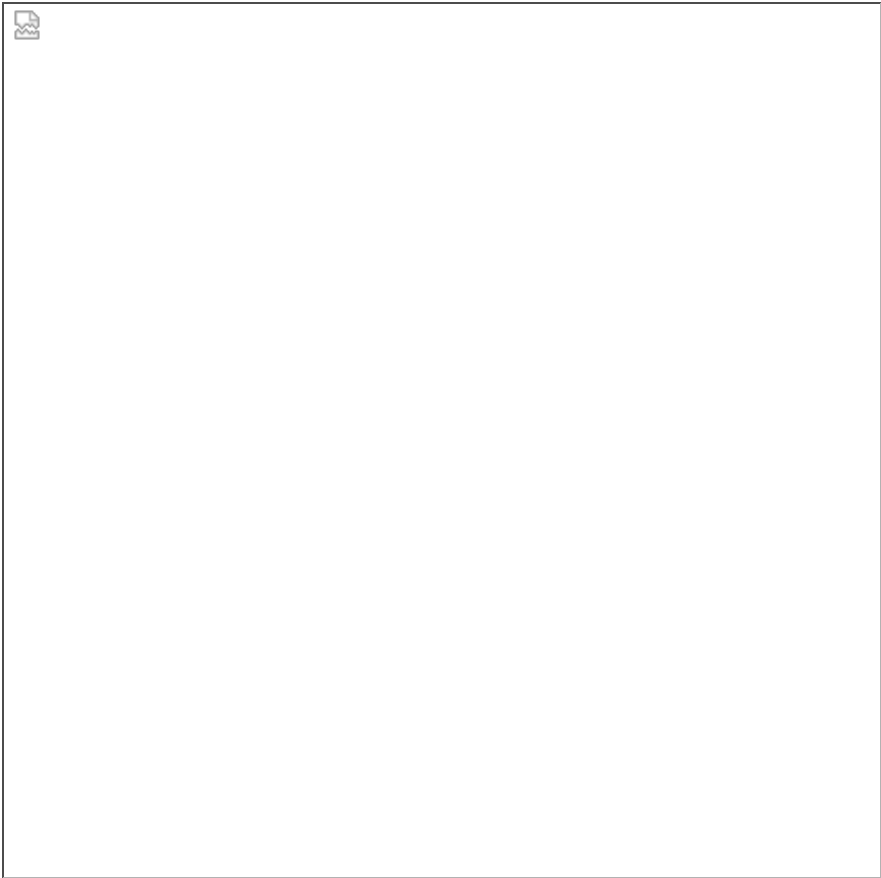
1st Prize - \$150 Gift Card *2nd Prize - \$100 Gift Card *3rd Prize - \$50 Gift Card

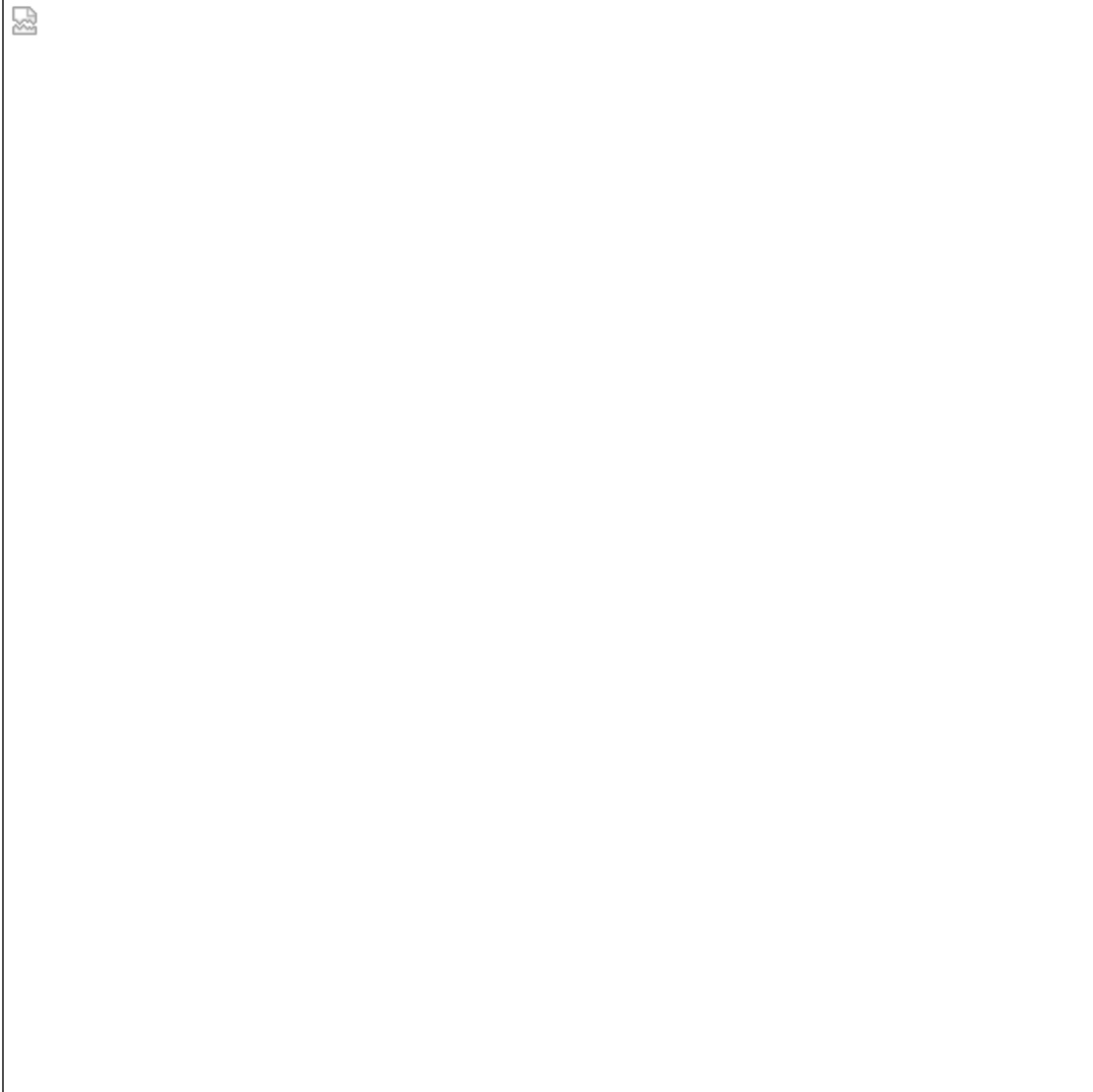
Submissions should be two-dimensional works of art using any medium. Please include on the back (or on a separate piece of paper) the following: 1) Name, 2) Age, 3) Grade, 4) School Name, 5) Parent/Guardian name, 6) Address, 7) Contact information (email or phone number). Drop off artwork at the CD12 Community Service Center (9207 Oakdale Ave, Chatsworth) Monday

through Friday from 10 AM to 4 PM. If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Bronson at sharon.bronson@lacity.org.

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Keep informed on the latest coronavirus updates:

- [LA County Department of Public Health](#)
- [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
- [City of Los Angeles Coronavirus Information](#)

RESOURCES AND ASSISTANCE

Business/Employee Assistance

- sba.gov
- irs.gov/coronavirus/economic-impact-payments
- lacountyhelpcenter.org
- covid19.ca.gov
- caleitc4me.org
- lajobsportal.org
- ewddlacity.com

Wilkinson Senior Center

- Call (818) 885-5144 for information about homebound delivered meals for seniors.

L.A. County's Critical Delivery Service Program

- Free delivery program for older adults and individuals with disabilities to receive groceries, household items, and other vital necessities to individuals who are unable to leave their homes due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Items may be delivered 7 days a week, at no cost to the client. No application process is required, however, items must be pre-paid and ready for pickup. Deliveries may be scheduled by calling **888-863-7411** between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Clients may utilize this service up to four times or 40 miles per month, whichever comes first.

ONEgeneration

- Call 818-705-2345 for information about homebound delivered meals and grocery shopping assistance for seniors.
- Drive Through Food Bank every Tuesday from 11 am to 1 pm. Open to all ages.
- Transportation services for seniors 65+. Please call 818-708-6614 for information.

LAUSD Grab & Go Centers

- Free meals for LAUSD students. Click [here](#) or call (213) 443-1300.
- Mental health hotline to help students and families. Call 213-241-3840 for a consultation, support and referrals, weekdays 6 am to 6 pm.

LA Area Charter Schools Meals for Students

- Free meals to all students under the age of 18 at select schools. Click [here](#).

San Fernando Valley Rescue Mission

- Drive-thru food pantry at Northridge Fashion Center by appointment only. Click [here](#) to sign up.

Freedom Church

- Drive-thru food pantry at Freedom Center (9200 Owensmouth Ave, Chatsworth) this Wednesday, April 15, from 12 to 2 pm.

Fish of West Valley Food Pantry

- Food pantry of the Congregational Church of Chatsworth open Saturdays from 12 to 5 pm. at 20440 Lassen Street, Chatsworth.

SOVA Community Food & Resource Program

- Food pantry at 16439 Vanowen St, Van Nuys. Open Sundays from 9 am to noon and Monday thru Friday from 10 am to 1:30 pm.

LAPD Devonshire PALS Youth Center

- Meals for LAUSD students Monday thru Friday from 9 am to 11 am at 8721 Wilbur Ave., Northridge.

North Valley Caring Services

- Learn about NVCS's food pantry and other services [here](#).

Meet Each Need with Dignity (MEND)

- Food distribution on Tuesdays and Fridays from 9 am to 11 am at 10641 N. San Fernando Road, Pacoima. Call 818-897-2443.

LA Regional Food Bank

- To find a food bank near you, click [here](#).

Breakfast for First Responders by McDonald's

- Healthcare workers, police officers and firefighters with a valid ID or uniform are eligible to receive a free small coffee and Egg McMuffin sandwich during breakfast hours at participating McDonald's restaurants in Los Angeles County.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Mayor's Fund for L.A. - Emergency COVID-19 Crisis Fund

- To support real-time emergency response activities including critical resources to hospitals and frontline medical workers, services to unhoused neighbors and older residents, and relief to families and small businesses, click [here](#).

Mayor's Fund for L.A. - Angeleno Fund

- To contribute direct financial assistance to individuals and families facing extreme economic hardship, click [here](#).

San Fernando Valley Rescue Mission

- Food pantry donations accepted every Monday and Tuesday at the Northridge Fashion Center (by CPK), 9301 Tampa Avenue, between 10 am and 2 pm. For needed items, or to make a contribution, click [here](#).

ONEgeneration

- Make a donation to support ONEgen's homebound meal delivery for seniors and other programs [here](#).
- If you are interested in volunteering please email volunteer@onegeneration.org

Freedom Church

- Donation drop-off on at the Freedom Center (9200 Owensmouth Ave, Chatsworth) Monday thru Wednesday from 9 am to noon.

Fish of West Valley Food Pantry

- Donations of self-stable food items needed. Items can be dropped off at the Congregational Church of Chatsworth (20440 Lassen St, Chatsworth) Monday thru Friday from 10 am to 4 pm. Call 818-349-2550 to find out about volunteer opportunities and other donation needs.

LAUSD Students

- Make a donation to support LAUSD students most in need [here](#).

North Valley Caring Services

- To make a donation to the food pantry and support programs helping families facing food insecurity, click [here](#). To donate food items and grocery gift cards, call (818) 891-0481.

CD12 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS

Contact the Neighborhood Councils directly to find out about their meeting schedule during the COVID-19 emergency.

[Chatsworth Neighborhood Council](#) - 1st Wednesday @6:30PM
[Granada Hills North Neighborhood Council](#) - 1st Tuesday @6:30PM
[Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council](#) - 1st Thursday @6:30PM
[North Hills West Neighborhood Council](#) - 3rd Thursday @7PM
[Northridge East Neighborhood Council](#) - 3rd Wednesday @7PM
[Northridge South Neighborhood Council](#) - 4th Thursday @7PM
[Northridge West Neighborhood Council](#) - 2nd Tuesday @6:15PM
[Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council](#) - 2nd Wednesday @6:15PM
[Reseda Neighborhood Council](#) - 3rd Monday @7PM
[West Hills Neighborhood Council](#) - 1st Thursday @7PM

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Chatsworth, CA 91311
Phone: (818) 882-1212
Fax: (818) 701-5254

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405
Los Angeles, CA 90012
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